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Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment**

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For: **Filter Appliance and Inner Container for a Filter Appliance**

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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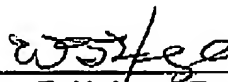
In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed December 9, 2005, attached is a clean copy of the specification. Although the allegedly non-compliant Amendment was filed before implementation of the rule changes that would have required a clean copy, please feel free to contact the undersigned by telephone for any additional materials.

AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor

(including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account no. 20-0778.

Respectfully submitted,



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